IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ROBERT MERRITT, :

Plaintiff, :

:

v. : CIVIL ACTION NO. 20-CV-1054

:

EARL SUPPLEE, et al., :

Defendants. :

ORDER

AND NOW, this 23rd day of June, 2020, upon consideration of Plaintiff Robert Merritt's Motion to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (ECF No. 5), prison trust fund account statement (ECF No. 6) *pro se* Complaint (ECF No. 1), and Motion to Appoint Counsel (ECF No. 5) it is **ORDERED** that:

- 1. Leave to proceed in forma pauperis is **GRANTED** pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915.
- 2. Robert Merritt shall pay the initial filing fee of \$0.23.
- 3. The Complaint is **DEEMED** filed.
- 4. Merritt's Complaint is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE** as legally frivolous, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(i) for the reasons stated in the Court's Memorandum.
 - 5. The Motion to Appoint Counsel is **DENIED AS MOOT**.
 - 6. The Clerk of Court shall **CLOSE** this case.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Jeffrey L. Schmehl
JEFFREY L. SCHMEHL, J.